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**City Council Partners with Roger Leggett to Provide Medical Wagon to Paulding Wellstar Hospital**

**Hiram, Georgia – December 19, 2014** – If you have ever been hospitalized, you may have been hooked to an IV pole and struggled to maneuver for treatment. And if you are a parent of a child who is experiencing these challenges, it can be especially difficult. Well thanks to an idea and a passion for helping families and children of Mr. Roger Leggett, a solution has been found.

Roger Leggett, an expeditor for Lockheed Martin, and some Chattahoochee Technical College students designed a children's wagon with an IV pole attachment and the ability to carry other medical equipment. Lewis Holland, David Taylor and L&N Welding in Paulding County also joined his efforts.



Roger's sole intent was for the red wagon to make a big difference for children and families moving around hospitals. You see, in 2011, Leggett's 7-year-old was diagnosed with brain cancer. After her first surgery, Roger and his son, Chad Leggett, saw the need for the wagon invention. Roger and Chad watched as a woman tried to push the bandaged boy into the elevator, pulling the IV pole behind her. The woman almost fell on her child when the IV pole fell over and she tried to catch it.

Before he knew it, Roger and his team created the red wagon and have embarked on a campaign to get as many of these into hospitals serving children as he can. As with anything, there are some expenses associated with the production. But that was no obstacle to Roger. He sought donations to build these wagons and, in return, affixed a plaque showing others who provided the monetary donation to make the wagon possible.

As fate would have it, Councilwoman Philyaw with the City of Hiram was contacted by Roger. Without hesitation, she brought the idea of funding one of these wagons to her other colleagues on Council. They could not get this item on the agenda quick enough to approve and fund the construction of a wagon for Hiram area children. According to Councilwoman Philyaw, "There is nothing more precious than our children who we strive every day to protect and create an environment that is safe for them." "The City Council and I are blessed to have a hometown leader and innovator like Roger who saw a need and poured his heart and soul into addressing that need," continued Philyaw.

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